



92NY MAY
CENTER

MEET THE
SWIM
&
GYM
TEAM



Welcome to the 92nd Street Y, New York community!

Whether your child is brand new to our programs or already a confident swimmer, gymnast, or athlete, we're so glad you're here. **Our Swim, Gymnastics, and Athletics classes are led by an incredible team of coaches who are passionate about safety, skill-building, and confidence — and who genuinely love working with kids.**

Each instructor brings energy, patience, and expertise to every class, creating an environment where children feel supported, challenged, and proud of what they can do. Whether it's a first splash, a first cartwheel, a first goal, or building on skills they've been practicing for years, our team is here to cheer your child on every step of the way.

We believe learning should feel fun, positive, and empowering — and that strong relationships between coaches, kids, and families make all the difference.

On the following pages, you'll meet the faces behind the classes — the people helping your child grow stronger, braver, and more confident each week.

We're so glad you're here!

— The May Center Team

AQUATICS



Jean Fischer (She/Her)

American Red Cross Water Safety Instructor Certification; American Red Cross Lifeguarding, Deep Water Rescue, AED, and First Aid Certification; London School of International Business Water-Based Meditation Techniques Certification

Jean has 17+ years of WSI and lifeguarding experience. Jean comes from a competitive swimming background of over 10+ years and was a collegiate soccer player. Jean received her Bachelor's Degree in English Literature from CUNY Lehman College and is currently pursuing her Master's Degree in Social Service from Fordham University. Jean's specialties range from infant classes, age group classes, swim form, technique, and endurance, Special Olympics, to adult classes. Jean loves working with the 92NY community to connect with patrons and to create a safe, mindful, supportive, and fun environment to learn the essential life saving skill of swimming.



Danielle Stanley (She/Her)

WSI; CPR/First Aid; AED; EpiPen; Diabetes; USA Swimming's Coach Certification Program

My name is Danielle Stanley. It has been my pleasure to work with children for over 30 years, and I currently work at a NYC DOE elementary school in addition to being a swim instructor. I was a teacher assistant at Brooklyn College where I helped teach college students how to swim in an Introduction to Swimming class, as well as to prepare them for the Lifeguard test. The following semester, I was excited when my students came back and told me they passed the lifeguard test and said I was an amazing teacher.

I love swimming and have been swimming ever since I was a child. I have been a Water Safety Instructor for many years, including the last 13-plus years at 92NY. I love being able to motivate my students, and seeing their progress and satisfaction when they accomplish new milestones in swimming.



Stigs Stigliano (They/Them)

(English, ASL) WSI, LGI, LG

Stigs is a swim instructor for children and adults, specializing in children who are nervous of the water. They have been teaching for four years and also coach Special Olympics for the 92NY Flying Dolphins.



Cristal Joseph (She/Her)

WSI – Water Safety Instructor; Lifeguarding (Including Deep Water) with CPR/AED for Professional Rescuers and First Aid

I am a passionate swim instructor with experience teaching both children and adults across a wide range of skill levels. I specialize in building water confidence, foundational swim skills, and stroke development in a safe, supportive, and encouraging environment. I believe learning to swim should be both educational and enjoyable, and I work to meet each swimmer where they are while helping them progress at their own pace.

I love working at 92NY because of its strong sense of community and the opportunity to help swimmers of all ages develop lifelong water safety skills while gaining confidence and independence in the pool.

Lily



Erin Hughes (She/Her)

WSI

I began teaching at 92NY in September 2014, although I first taught swim lessons as a 16-year-old camp lifeguard many years before that. I especially love teaching parent/child and beginner swimmers, helping them to have fun and grow comfortable in the water. Building safety skills is incredibly important, but I want to ensure that children have a positive experience in my classes and are able to take that with them on their swimming journey, wherever it may lead them.



Gabriel Fermin

WSI/CPR Certified

With over five years of experience, I specialize in teaching swimmers of all levels—from toddlers as young as three to seniors and adults.

Nothing makes my day more than guiding kids towards results, allowing them to find a “lightbulb rewarding moment” and take life lessons away from practice.

My goal is to help every student, whether beginner or advanced, build the skills and confidence they need to thrive in the water.



Adrianne Rosenberg

I have been teaching/coaching swimming for over 20 years and have extensive experience with students of all ages (two months—adults/seniors) and abilities (from complete beginners, fearful/timid swimmers, special needs swimmers, to competitive swimmers looking to refine strokes and build endurance/strength). Growing up in Southern California, swimming was always a huge part of my life and certainly a life skill I used regularly and enjoyed so much that I played competitive water polo and swam throughout high school and in college. Much of my background is in youth development and working with children has always been a passion of mine. I am an enthusiastic and energetic instructor who loves to have fun AND productive lessons. I enjoy teaching and coaching swimmers because it's always been one of my favorite activities to do and being able to share my knowledge and expertise with others is an incredible experience. I look forward to swimming with you soon!



Becca Greenberg (She/Her)

First Aid, CPR, Lifeguard

Hi, I'm Becca! I've spent my life in the pool, swimming competitively, coaching, and teaching, and I love helping others enjoy the water and reach new milestones. I work with all ages and abilities and focus on making lessons fun, supportive, and tailored to each individual.

One of my favorite parts of teaching is seeing confidence grow and celebrating every achievement, big or small. From first dips under the water to proud smiles, I aim to make swim lessons something everyone looks forward to and one of the best parts of their day.



Anna Turner (She/Her)

Anna Turner has been a lifelong swimmer with over 17 years of competitive experience, including Division I swimming at Villanova University and the College of the Holy Cross. She specializes in helping young swimmers develop strong technique, build confidence, and enjoy learning in the water. As a personal swim instructor and a coach for the 92NY Flying Dolphins, Anna loves working with kids and watching them grow as athletes and people. She enjoys supporting swimmers as they set goals, overcome challenges, and discover a love for the sport. Anna is currently pursuing her Master of Social Work at Fordham University and brings patience, encouragement, and strong leadership to every lesson and practice.



Faris Idelasri (He/Him)

Lifeguarding, CPR, WSI

I enjoy working with kids at the 92NY because I like to see them freely be themselves and be happy.



Darshan Neupane (He/Him)

CPR & First Aid Certified

I have hands-on experience teaching children how to swim and helping them build confidence in the water. Working with kids has always been something I truly enjoy, especially seeing their progress—whether from feeling nervous at first to becoming more comfortable, confident, and independent.

I specialize in creating a safe, encouraging, and fun environment where kids feel supported while learning new skills. I love working at 92NY because it values both skill-building and personal growth, and I enjoy being part of a community that helps kids learn, stay active, and have fun at the same time.



Whitney Fowler (She/Her)

Lifeguard, WSI, LGI

I am a student at Brooklyn College. I specialize in teaching levels 2–4. I like teaching kids how to swim because I enjoy building their confidence and it's amazing to see their improvement.



Charles Coleman

Hi my name is Charles. I have been instructing for two and a half years; my specialties are in brushstroke and freestyle. I mostly work with kids but have taught adults as well. Something interesting about myself is that I recently bought a viking axe.



Naima Navarro

My name is Naima Navarro, and I have been teaching for the past three years. I truly enjoy working with children and am passionate about helping them learn, grow, and build confidence in a positive and supportive environment! I love teaching younger children and specialize in working with early age groups, while happily engaging with kids of all ages. One of the reasons I love working with children is the joy and energy they bring each day. In addition to my work at 92NY, I am currently a college student majoring in Aircraft Operations, and I take pride in being a caring, patient, and encouraging instructor. I look forward to continuing to support children and families in our community!



Jeremy Delrosario

I'm Jeremy Delrosario and I have six years of lifeguarding experience, three years of swim instructing, and seven years of competitive swimming. I enjoy teaching kids how to swim and helping them build confidence in the water.



Tim Kim

Tim, a lifelong New Yorker raised by the water, has been connected to aquatics since childhood. A former competitive swimmer in the Metropolitan and PSAL leagues specializing in breaststroke, he trained for over a decade in both the United States and South Korea.

After college, Tim explored the world of fashion and apparel technology, collaborating with designers including jewelry artist Martine Ali and creating ocean-inspired pieces using pearls and shells.

Despite this creative path, the water has always remained central to his life. Now in his third year as AG1 Lead Coach, Tim works closely with swimmers in the 92NY program, helping develop the next generation of YFD athletes and sharing the lifelong lessons swimming provides.



Elizabeth Long

Ellie brings 14 years of competitive swimming experience, having trained with club teams across Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Illinois throughout her childhood. She competed at meets like the USA Futures Championships and the Speedo Winter Juniors before moving to New York to swim for Fordham University, where she specialized in sprint freestyle and breaststroke.

With nine years in the aquatics industry, most of which were spent as a private swim instructor, Ellie has an eye for stroke mechanics and efficiency. She takes a problem-solving approach to coaching, designing unique exercises to help swimmers improve their skills and reach their full potential. She strives to promote a collaborative environment where athletes are encouraged to ask questions, provide feedback, and take an active role in their development as swimmers.



Braden A (They/Them)

Braden has been teaching for 6+ years and specializes child/beginner adult swimming lessons. Outside of teaching swimming, they are a composer for the theatre and music tutor.



Mike S

LGI, WSI, Lifeguarding

I have been at the 92nd Street Y for three years. I teach Minnows, Polliwogs and Guppies classes, along with levels 1–3. I am excited to be back for the spring semester!

Fun fact about me is that I have appeared on several MSG Networks and ESPN promotional spots as a New York Ranger fan.



Matthew B

Red Cross Lifeguard Certification; WSI teaching certification

Born in Brooklyn NY and living in Queens, I come with extensive experience teaching across many facilities. I love teaching people of all ages and skill levels and try to work with each client where they're at in terms of past experience and set goals.

I was hired a year and a half ago, but have been teaching for over eight years at various past pools. I've taught all the different levels, from parent/child classes, one-on-one toddler lessons, to beginning swimmers, advanced swimmers, and lap swimmers. I also have a lot of experience with adults, ranging from young adult, middle aged, and seniors.



Isaac Z

Hi, my name is Isaac. I'm a student and a dedicated swimming instructor who enjoys teaching swimmers of all ages and skill levels.



GYMNASTICS & PARKOUR



Felix Hess (He/Him)

WFPP Certified, CPR, and First Aid

Felix has studied and practiced multiple disciplines of movement ranging from parkour, dance, acrobatics, stunts, circus, and Pop Action. With over 10 years of teaching and performing experience both nationally and internationally, he is comfortable working with all ages and skill levels to help anyone achieve their goals. Felix is the Lead Parkour Coach and Director for Parkour Camp at 92NY.

Rebekah

Rebekah Doyel (She/Her)

USAG Certified

Hi, I'm Rebekah! I've been a part of the gymnastics world since I could walk, and I started coaching at age 15 in Kansas City. When I joined 92NY, I jumped right into teaching the Xcel Pre-Team and Recreational classes, and I've been working with the Older Xcel Pre-Team ever since. In addition, I also coach the Xcel Gold Gymnastics Team. What I love most about coaching is watching kids push through challenges and discover what they're capable of. Helping athletes navigate obstacles, gain confidence, and celebrate their breakthroughs is what makes this sport so exciting, and why I love being part of their journey every day.

Bill

Bill Medrano (He/Him)

USAG Certified, First Aid Certified

Hi, I'm Bill Medrano, Associate Director of 92NY Gymnastics and Health Director at In the City Camps. I've been involved in gymnastics since the age of 14, and during my competitive years, I helped lead our team to the championships three years in a row.

I entered the sport not even knowing it existed, but from the moment I witnessed my first class, I was captivated. I've been coaching since I was 18, working with children as young as 18 months all the way through adults, and training athletes from beginner through advanced levels.

What I enjoy most about coaching is helping athletes overcome mental blocks, teaching proper technique, and guiding them toward achieving their goals more efficiently. There's nothing more rewarding than watching students accomplish skills they once thought were impossible.



Maria Rodriguez (She/Her)

USAG Certified

I have been working as a summer counselor at 92NY since 2023. I enjoy creating a safe, engaging, and positive environment where children can build confidence, stay active, and have fun. I love working with kids and supporting their growth through movement, teamwork, and encouragement.

Justin

Coach Justin

USAG certified member, Safe Sport, Safety and Risk Management

Team Gymnastics Instructor at 92NY for seven years. Worked with JO, DP and Xcel team programs. Previously worked with IGC Team program. I also work with intermediate/advanced recreational classes.

I love to watch the excitement of a gymnast achieving a new skill after putting in a lot of hard work. It's amazing to watch them grow not only as gymnasts but individuals.



Mikalla Malia Ashmore (She/Her)

USAG Competitive Coach Certified, SafeSport, CPR/AED & First Aid Certified (Red Cross)

Coach Mikalla loves sharing the joy of movement with children and athletes of all ages. At 92NY, she coaches the GymStars Xcel Bronze competitive team, the Girls Exhibition Gymnastics Team, recreational gymnastics, and enrichment classes for the 92NY Nursery School. She also teaches dance for the 92NY Fantastic Gymnastics Summer Camp, blending creativity and athleticism to keep kids engaged and inspired.

In addition to coaching, Mikalla contributes to 92NY's Spark Your Health initiative, supporting whole-person wellness through talks, workshops, and classes. As professional dancer and proud alumna of The Ailey School, she has performed with companies and choreographers throughout New York City. Mikalla is passionate about helping athletes build strength and confidence through movement. She loves watching them work hard to achieve milestones and meaningful wins, both large and small, that foster resilience and a lifelong love of movement."



Soomi Kim (She/Her)

Safety cert, Safe sport

Soomi Kim is an NYC-based veteran gymnastics coach (formerly at Chelsea Piers), former competitive gymnast, choreographer, and award-winning actor/theatre artist. Her extensive movement background spans modern and contemporary dance, jazz, hip hop, gymnastics, and martial arts (Wushu and Wing Chun). She has choreographed hundreds of floor routines for D.P. gymnasts Levels 6–Junior Elite, Xcel, and collegiate athletes, including numerous State and Regional floor champions.

In 2018, Soomi was invited by Cheryl Medley Jarrett to present at the National Gymnastics Congress on “Devising Floor,” a creative methodology she developed that integrates theatre-based devising techniques into floor choreography.

Soomi values the opportunity to work with young athletes at 92NY, where the GymStars program’s intimate and supportive environment allows her to cultivate strong foundations in technique, creativity, and confidence for each child she coaches.”



Malik Beckford

Coach Malik aka Coach Mac n’ Cheese is a professional actor and educator from New York City. Holding an MSed in Education from CCNY, he mixes his educational background and artistic sensibilities to create an environment of advocacy, engagement, rigor, and FUN for all ages.



Karen Berman (She/Her)

My name is Karen! I was a competitive USAG gymnast for eight years, and in fact my first ever gymnastics class was here at the 92NY. I have been in the gymnastics world since I could walk, and am very passionate about the sport. I love working with kids at 92NY because I enjoy helping them feel confident, supported, and excited to try new things.



Jessica Kreuger (She/Her)

Coach Jessica has been teaching young kids since she was in high school. Upon moving to NYC after college, she became a teaching artist with the Brooklyn-based STREB Extreme Action, along with Parkour Director Felix Hess. There, she re-discovered her inner acrobat, and has been coaching gymnastics all over New York City ever since (Chelsea Piers, NYC Elite, JCC Manhattan to name a few). Jessica also teaches interpersonal communication skills to med students and manages a team of trainers for the American Heart Association.



Culture Rivera (He/Him)

Gymnastics (USAG) and Parkour (WFPPF)

I was a Live Tumbler and Performer for the NBA (Nets) as well as the WNBA (Liberty) and am a former all-star cheerleader.

I love working with the kids at 92NY because gymnastics and parkour teaches life lessons that go beyond just the gym but in a fun and empowering way. I feel like I'm teaching them how to be superheroes!

Madison

Madison Lugo

I live in New York and have a background in ballet. I love working at 92NY and supporting children as they develop confidence and learn new skills in activities they enjoy. Watching students grow through movement and practice is incredibly rewarding.



Clara Mooney

This is my second year coaching recreational gymnastics at 92NY, where I work with children ranging in age from 12 months to 12 years. I've also loved spending two summers as a Head Counselor in the Adventure Clubhouse summer program. In addition to gymnastics, I'm a certified yoga instructor and work at a preschool on the Upper East Side. I'm passionate about supporting children's self-confidence, social-emotional growth, and the development of their gymnastics skills.



Ismael Oqeda

Parkour/Gymnastics

Coaching parkour for the last 10 years. Carrying passion and confidence in creating unforgettable moments within movement and community. Over the years, with the program's best interest, I look to open our students' eyes to the limitless potential they have.



Chris Serano

Parkour Coach

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SPORTS & ATHLETICS

Joel

Joel Lieberman

US Kids Golf Certified Coach

Joel Lieberman has been teaching golf for the past four years at the 92NY, bringing over 40 years of passion and playing experience to every children's class, clinic, and lesson. A certified US Kids Golf Coach, Joel is also a proud member of both the Metropolitan Golf Association and the Met Golf Writers Association. He works with children of all ages and skill levels, teaching the fundamentals of golf—including driving, chipping, and putting—while instilling teamwork, sportsmanship, and respect for the rules of the game. Joel's goal is to create a fun, safe, and supportive environment that builds skills, inspires confidence, and helps kids develop a lifelong love for golf.

Greg Fitton

3rd Degree (Sam Dan) Black Belt, Kukkiwon/World Taekwondo; BA, Syracuse University; MFA, Brooklyn College; Construction Safety & Health, OSHA Education Center

Coach Gregory has two decades of experience teaching Tae Kwon Do in New York, Connecticut, and Virginia. He enjoys working with students of all ages and specializes in teaching children. Coach Gregory's vision for instruction is not only to teach the fundamental Tae Kwon Do movements, but also to instill students with life skills, such as confidence, positive energy, and leadership. As a 3rd-degree black belt, his instructional background includes Tae Kwon Do studios (dojang) and after-school settings.

Gregory grew up in White Plains, New York, and learned Tae Kwon Do as a student of Grand Master Byung Min Kim. He started as an instructor in White Plains and was later program director for the Scarsdale, New York, location. As a student, Gregory focused on forms (poomsae), sparring (kyorugi), and public demonstration, and spent three summers in South Korea. He continues to practice Tae Kwon Do for its physical and mental benefits. Gregory lives in Brooklyn, New York.



Eric Faltraco

Eric is an experienced professional with 30+ years of experience in a variety of sports activities including basketball, swimming, gaga, and pickleball. Eric always tries to achieve maximum results from adults and students and to see them achieve their goals. He is always looking to better myself and make others benefit from his expertise.



Steve Carney

Coach Steve Carney has been a dedicated member of the 92NY community for many years, working with children of all ages and partnering with schools across a wide range of sports. With a specialty in basketball, Coach Steve brings nearly 30 years of professional playing experience from Europe to his coaching. He is passionate about teaching fundamentals, building confidence, and helping young athletes grow both on and off the court.

Coach Steve is excited to work with your kids and support their development in athletics.

Abby

Abby L

Coach Abby is an experienced and enthusiastic instructor who teaches both pickleball and tennis at 92NY. She enjoys working with players of all ages and skill levels, focusing on strong fundamentals, teamwork, and confidence on the court. Coach Abby is passionate about creating a fun, supportive environment where athletes can learn, improve, and enjoy the game. She is excited to help students grow their skills and love for racquet sports.

Greg

Greg P

Coach Greg is a knowledgeable golf instructor at 92NY who brings patience, focus, and enthusiasm to every lesson. He emphasizes skill development, course awareness, and sportsmanship while helping students understand the game from the ground up. Coach Greg enjoys guiding golfers as they progress at their own pace and reach personal goals. He is excited to share his love of golf and help students build lifelong skills through the sport.

John

John F

Coach John brings energy and expertise to pickleball instruction at 92NY, coaching both kids and adults in a fun, inclusive setting. He blends skill-building with game-based learning, helping players improve control, movement, and match play awareness

Known for his clear communication and encouraging style, Coach John helps athletes feel comfortable while challenging them to grow. He's excited to help players deepen their understanding and enjoyment of pickleball.

Jake

Jake G

Coach Jake is a highly rated pickleball player and coach who works with adults at 92NY. He brings a competitive edge and deep knowledge of the game to every session, helping players refine technique, strategy, and consistency. Coach Jake's coaching style is focused, insightful, and tailored to individual goals. He is committed to helping players elevate their performance and confidence on the court.

Our programs are supported by a dynamic and growing team. Because we hire seasonally and throughout the year, not all coaches and instructors may be represented in this packet.

This guide is updated regularly and is intended to provide an overview of the talented professionals who support our Swim, Gymnastics, and Athletics programs.

While every effort is made to maintain consistency, this packet does not guarantee that a specific instructor will be teaching your child's class. Regardless of staffing, all classes are led by qualified, trained instructors who uphold the same high standards of safety, care, and instruction.